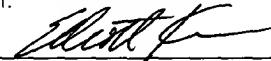


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed December 4, 2002.
Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time, extending the time for reply until April 4, 2003, thereby making this response timely.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (amended). A compound of Formula (I):

E^cp-A
(I)

a'

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt form thereof, wherein;

E^cp is an enzyme cleavable peptide conjugated to A and selected from:

Cap- Paa -Xa2 -Gly - Xp1 - Laa -;
Cap- Xa2 - Gly - Xp1 - Laa -;